

WELCOME

All Christians who would normally do so are invited to receive communion. If you wish not to receive, please come forward for a blessing. You are warmly invited to coffee afterwards



CHILDREN

Children are very welcome at St Mary's. Junior Church takes place in the Parish Room during the Sung Eucharist. There is also a children's corner in Church for supervised pre-school children.

19th August 2018
Twelfth Sunday After Trinity

Hymns

299, 259, 67, 649, 350, 252

TODAY

Welcome to Revd. Canon Ken Batt who is leading both our services today.

Retiring collection for our August charity: This month we are collecting for **St Francis Hospital, Katete**. A copy of the latest newsletter from the Hospital is pinned up on the board in the lobby. Gift Aid forms are available on the table by the bowl.

THIS WEEK

The Tea and Talk Café takes place tomorrow, Monday 20th August at 2pm in the Parish Room. All welcome.

LOOKING FORWARD

Clergy Cover We are most fortunate to have clergy cover until the end of October and will shortly be planning services beyond that time. **The Rt. Revd. David Williams, Bishop of Basingstoke**, will be leading us in worship on Sunday 16th September at 9.30 am.

Patronal Festival We look forward to celebrating the **Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary** on 9th September at 10 am.

Harvest Festival Our Harvest Service this year will be on Sunday 7th October at 10 am when we shall be joined by the uniformed organisations of the parish.

Christmas Event - Volunteers

Sought! The weekend of 8th/9th December has been set aside for a possible Christmas event. If you are interested in organising this, please speak to Trish, Ian or Debbie.

BITS & PIECES

Rota Would you like to join the list of sidespeople who assist at services and/or the offertory rota? If you'd like to be included in the next rota (from October) please get in touch with Debbie Filer. For further details as to what is involved please speak to a churchwarden.

LOOKING FORWARD

In the coming weeks we look forward to welcoming the following ministers to our services

Sunday 26th August
8am Revd. Christopher Butler
9.30 am Revd. Dennis Smith

Sunday 2nd September (8am & 9.30 am)
Revd. Canon Ken Batt

Sunday 9th September (8am & 10am)
Our Patronal Festival
Revd. Christopher Butler

Sunday 16th September
8am Revd. Canon Michael Kenning
9.30 am The Rt. Revd David Williams
Bishop of Basingstoke

The Foodbank is short of donations during this holiday season, particularly squash, UHT fruit juice, savoury spreads, tinned fruit and toiletries. Thank you to all who give so generously.

Fairtrade Peter & Tracey George-Jones have been our Fairtrade champions for many years. They have now decided they would like to transfer responsibility to others. If you would like to consider helping with this please let me know and I will put you in touch with Peter and Tracey so that they can explain what is involved. *Ian Kershaw*

Home Visitors There are a number of people within the church community who would welcome visitors for a tea and a chat, some of whom are currently unable to come to church. Have you an hour or two to spare on an occasional basis? If so please get in touch with Debbie Filer.

Would you like to see some picturesque Hampshire countryside and visit historic churches? Then why not take part in this year's **Ride and Stride on 8th September?** This is a chance to ride (bicycle or horse) or walk (with or without a dog) along a short or long route to your choice of churches and raise sponsorship, which is split between St. Mary's and the Hampshire and Islands Historic Churches Trust. Please speak to **Paul Skinner** if you are interested or see the website:

www.hihct.org.uk/rideStride.php . If anyone is able to greet visitors to St Mary's on this day this would also be appreciated - a friendly chat and a flapjack is always welcome to keep up the spirits!

Please pray for...

- Courage to live lives of integrity and faith.
- Hope for all experiencing poverty, hunger, loneliness, depression, pain and any kind of suffering;
- Regions of conflict and disaster: Syria; Afghanistan; Myanmar; South Sudan; Iraq; Congo; Yemen;
- The victims of the Genoa tragedy and their families;
- The work of the Friends of St Francis', Katete Charitable Trust;
- Residents of Basingfield Court & Oakfields;
- Those who are sick or suffering, among them: Matthew Haystaff; Lisa Allen; Jackie Deadman; Jean Schluter; Peter Thorn; Esther Wong; Inge Bowman; Jenny Surrudge; Alistair Taylor; Hyacinth Furtado; and all in sorrow and pain.
- All those who have died recently; Barbara Sylvester; and those whose anniversaries fall at this time, and those who grieve for them

During the service a collection will be taken during the Offertory Hymn. If you miss this collection, gifts can be placed in the wall pillar. Gift Aid envelopes are available in the pews. Deo Gratias. Registered Charity No. 1136606

PARISH CONTACTS:

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Home Communion Enquiries – please contact the Parish Administrator

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